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## 07/10/2013 Minutes

### **Town of Arlington**

#### **Transportation Advisory Committee**

Minutes of 7/10/13, 7:15 pm to 10:00 pm, Town Hall Annex, Second Floor Conf. Room.

Minutes submitted by Laura Wiener.

**Members and Associates Present:** Elisabeth Carr-Jones, Wayne Chouinard, Jean Clark, Len Kardon, Paul Kent, Jeff Maxtutis, Marjorie Moores, Howard Muise, Mike Rademacher, Corey Rateau, Scott Smith, Richard Turcotte, Laura Wiener

**Missing Members and Associates:** Ed Starr

**Members of the Public Present:** Rob Spiegel (School Human Resources Director), Maria Romano (Bates Road), Sheri Baron (Raleigh Street)

- Public Comments. None
- Administration.
  - Minutes of 6/12/13 were approved unanimously.
  - Administrative handouts were reviewed. Edgehill Road Working Group was formed--Jean, Ed. and Wayne. Jean will lead. Scott reported that the Selectmen's request regarding hours of operation for Minuteman Bikeway was discussed at the June meeting of the Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee
- School Traffic Supervisors. This coming year there will be 15 Traffic Supervisors, the same number as last year. Locations for 14 have already been identified based primarily on the priority list from 2010. Rob Spiegel is requesting a recommendation from TAC for the remaining location. Motion to recommend to the School Committee these 3 locations in priority order: Chestnut/Medford Streets (serving primarily St. Agnes and Arlington Catholic), Ridge and Crosby (serving Bishop School), and Dow and Rhinecliff, (serving Dallin School). Voted unanimously. Elisabeth will draft memo to School Committee.
- Bates Road. Corey presented his report. Previous speed and vehicle counts were done in 2002 and 2009. Average speeds have not increased. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile is and has been 30 mph. Crosswalk warning signs have been installed. Sheri asked if the Town could install a sign saying "30 mph". Corey responded that we could install a sign reading "Thickly Settled", but cannot post a regulatory speed sign. Motion to accept report to Selectmen, including recommendation for a sign reading "Thickly Settled". Voted unanimously.
- Town reports.
  - Laura reported that Master Plan meetings on Transportation and Land Use will take place on 7/16 and 7/11. The Arlington Center Parking Study WG is working on an RFP to go out at the end of the summer. The taking of easements has begun on the Mass. Ave. project.
  - Wayne reported that the repaving of Mass. Ave. in the Heights and Brattle to Schouler is about to begin. He reported that the brick crosswalks would remain in the Heights. Elisabeth registered a preference for standard crosswalks due to safety concerns. Downing Square construction is underway.

- Jason Street. Planning on a neighborhood meeting in the fall.
- Mass/Jason/Mill. Next step is to hire an engineer.
- Mill Street Flashing Beacon. Next step is to monitor and evaluate, after school is back in session. The following members volunteered to help with monitoring: Howard, Marjorie, Laura, Jean.
- Route 2/Route 16. Howard distributed plans. Laura will check with MassDOT on the progress of this project.
- Mystic Valley Parkway Rotary. Jeff is working on contacting Rep. Sean Garballey and will draft a letter.
- North Union/Everett. Wayne reported that most of crosswalk ramps are done.
- Edgehill Road Stop Sign. A resident has requested a 4 way stop sign. Wayne and Jean will look at it.
- School Zone for Gibbs School. Working Group hasn't met yet.
- New Work: Paul Revere Road. Request from Selectmen. New Working Group formed: Len, Howard, Jeff, Wayne and Rich.
- New Work: Broadway at Palmer. Request from Selectmen. Corey will look at recent crashes. 12 crashes from 2005-09. New WG formed—Scott, Marjorie, Corey.
- Meeting adjourned: 10:00 pm

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Packet for July: Agenda, 7/10/13; Minutes of 6/12/13; Working Group List, 7/10/13; BoS/ARB Request Status, 6/12/13, Individual Action List from 6/12/13; Status of Actions to be Done; School Traffic Supervisors;
- Memo to TAC from Howard Muise, Proposed Route 16/Route 2 Intersection Improvements, dated July 10, 2013